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## Spend time in Jamaica

by BILL COOKSEY  
News Editor

Frozen oranges this winter could make for a rotten spring holiday in Florida, but a Program Council sponsored trip to Jamaica could be one heck of a fun alternative for a college student's spring break.

The LSUS Program Council and Rainbow Travel Agency are sponsoring a trip open to all students to Ocho Rios, Jamaica from March 29 to April 6. The cost of the trip is approximately \$560 including tax, James Smith, SGA vice president, said.

The trip price includes airfare, motel costs, two per-room, for eight days and seven nights, transportation, tours and a rum swizzle party upon arrival, which

leaves the only additional costs for food and spending money, Smith said.

Offered in the trip are shopping, water skiing, spas, scuba diving and deep sea diving.

The students will be on their own in Jamaica to decide how they want to spend their vacation time.

About 50 students have signed up for the trip so far, but only 25 to 30 students are expected to attend. There is no limit on how many may attend.

The initial payment of \$100 must be made by February 14, and the remaining balance of \$460 is due on March 11, he said. An additional fee of \$11 is required for passports.

Smith said that the trip is

highly affordable, and U.S. currency is about \$1 to \$3.40 Jamaican currency making it a very cheap, enjoyable trip.

The location of the trip is on the island's northern coast, far away from any of the violence currently taking place in Jamaica because of soaring gasoline prices.

The idea came to Smith as an alternative to trips to Florida because they were getting repetitive, adding that he has already been to Jamaica once and that it makes for a fantastic holiday.

The weather in Jamaica is usually about 80 degrees during January.

For more information, please contact James Smith.

## SGA book exchange offers alternative

by SCOTT STRONG  
Reporter

Students, for the most part, would like to buy their schoolbooks for prices cheaper than those offered by the university book store. And likewise, they would prefer selling their texts for more than half the original price which is how much the book store pays if they buy them at all. One way students can try to get a better deal on their books is through the book exchange.

The book exchange is a free service provided to the students by the Student Government Association. Located in UC 223, it is open from 12:30 to 2 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. It will keep these hours throughout the semester.

Students wanting to sell a textbook, may bring it to the book

exchange, where it will be processed and put up for sale. The book owner sets his own price on the book which is shelved according to its subject matter. If someone wants to buy the book he will write a check directly to the owner. No cash is accepted.

"We act as brokers," SGA senator Don Shafer said. Shafer revised the old system used by the exchange in previous semesters.

"They have bookkeeping down to a fine art," Dr. Gloria Raines, vice-chancellor of student affairs said of the exchange. Raines said that the book exchange is much more organized than it has been in previous semesters, and that it could easily stand an audit. "I have such confidence in the system that I have sold a book through it," she said.

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## Media board fight looms?

The LSU Board of Supervisors formed a special committee on student media late last year and has come out with a precedent setting decision for advertising in student publications in the LSU system.

According to an article in Tuesday's Shreveport Journal, the committee has decided that "campus chancellors in the Louisiana State University system should dictate their campus policy for advertising in student publications."

John Cade, chairman of the LSU Board of Supervisors, is quoted as saying, "If we take

away the chancellor's authority to make advertising policy, we should take away his authority to make other policies as well."

Abortion-related advertising in the LSU Daily Reveille sparked the dispute over who should decide advertising policy, the administration or the advertising manager of the paper.

Here on the LSUS campus a

dispute has been brewing all year over the possibility of a media board with the power to set policy and determine the staff for each student publication.

Leading the proponents for a media board is SGA President Darrell Landreaux. The primary goal of a media board here is to provide more student input to the

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## Writing Contest

The deadline for the College Writer's Society of Louisiana Writing Contest is Thursday, Feb. 7.

The undergraduate categories are: SHORT STORY, ONE-ACT PLAY (15 to 40 minutes playing time), NEWSPAPER FEATURE ARTICLE, PERSONAL ESSAY, POETRY, LOUISIANA POEM, and FORMAL ESSAY. Three prizes are awarded in each undergraduate category: First — \$25; Second — \$10; Third — \$5. Grand prize is a \$100 savings bond.

The graduate categories are: SHORT STORY, ONE-ACT PLAY, and POETRY. First and second place winners in the graduate contest will be awarded certificates.

Interested students should contact Nancy Wilhelmi, BH 215, immediately.

## Gillespie

LSUS has announced that tickets are now on sale for the local appearance of Dizzy Gillespie.

Gillespie, the renowned jazz trumpeter, will perform at 8 p.m., Feb. 26 at the Strand Theatre under the direction of the LSUS Program Council.

Student tickets will be available at the LSUS Student Activities office, Room 231 of the UC, for students with validated LSUS ID cards. Student ticket prices will be \$6.50, \$8.50 and \$10.50.

General admission tickets will be available from 1 to 4 p.m. on weekdays at the Strand Theatre box office for \$9.50, \$11.50 and \$13.50.

Tickets may also be ordered with a charge card by phoning the Strand at (318) 226-8555 or by mailing a check including a \$1-per-order handling charge to Strand Theatre, P. O. Box 2096, Shreveport, LA 71166.

Group discounts are available.

## Symphony

The Shreveport Symphony's Pop concert "The Symphony Goes To The Movies" will be performed at the Strand Theatre, Feb. 9 and 10. The concert will present a special salute to The American Studies Program at LSUS and feature pianist Constance Knox Carroll. Mrs. Carroll will perform "The Entertainer" from The Sting and Mozart's popular Piano Concerto No. 21, known to film buffs as the theme from Elvira Madigan.

Constance Knox Carroll is artist-in-residence at Centenary College where her husband, Dr. Frank Carroll, is Dean of the Hurley School of Music.

The Orchestra will also perform such popular film music as The Music Man, Superman, 42nd Street and Gone With The Wind. Tickets are now available for purchase from the Strand Box Office.

## Conclave

CREATIVE WRITERS AT LSUS, the CONCLAVE will meet to reorganize on Thursday, Feb. 7, 1985 at noon in BH 210. The group meets to give support and encouragement to students, staff and alumni of LSUS who are interested in writing poetry, plays, fiction or creative non-fiction. If you are interested in creative writing but cannot join for the first meeting of the semester, please contact Karen Douglass in the Writing Lab, BH 263, or call extension 5305.

## Moa Afrika

Moa Afrika will begin its celebration of Black History Month with a program in the UC Red River Room, today at noon.

The guest speaker will be Mr. Donald Moss of the Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation. All students and faculty are invited. Refreshments will be served.

## Campus Police

The Campus Police department is equipped with a radio/telephone system and may be contacted anytime during non-school hours, holidays and weekends. If calling from off campus, just dial 797-5082, if on campus just dial 5082. This system is for emergencies only.

## Pi Sigma

Pi Sigma Epsilon invites interested students and faculty to attend their wine and cheese party at the Hay Stack Apartment Clubhouse at 7 p.m. tonight.

Orientation is on Wednesday, Feb. 6, in the UC Plantation Room at 7 p.m. For more information, call Melanee at 797-5144.

## Kappa Alpha

The Delta Chi Chapter of Kappa Alpha Order announces their new pledges for the spring, 1985 semester: Brian D' Iulio, Jay Fitzgerald, Jerry Hawkins, Greg Miller, Paul Ordonez, Paul Shepard, and Danny Tesnow.

## Delta Sigma

The 1985 officers for the Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity, Zeta Delta Chapter, are: President, Bill Olson Jr.; Vice President, John Keith; Treasurer, Butch McVey; Secretary, Alan Webb.

## KDAQ

KDAQ will broadcast "Othello," live on Saturday beginning at 1 p.m.

"Othello" is considered Giuseppe Verdi's best known opera and is often called the greatest Italian opera ever written.

## Papers Presented

Two LSUS professors have presented papers at the 35th annual meeting of the Southwestern Philosophy of Education Society at the University of Oklahoma in Norman.

Dr. Joe L. Green, professor and chairman of the Department of Education, presented "Some Thoughts on the Theory of Multiple Intelligences." The paper examines the justification of the theory that intelligence is multidimensional, including not only linguistic and logical-mathematical types, but also spatial, musical, kinesthetic and personal types.

Dr. Joe L. Kincheloe, assistant professor of education, reviewed the status of the new right-wing political influences in contemporary American education. This paper brings up to date his monograph on that subject published by Phi Delta Kappa in 1983.

## Public Relations

BATON ROUGE — The Baton Rouge Chapter of the Public Relations Association of Louisiana is soliciting nominations for the Jack H. Sanders Memorial Scholarship in public relations.

The \$1,000 cash award is presented annually to one outstanding Louisiana college student who plans to pursue a career in public relations or journalism. The scholarship was established in 1983 in memory of Jack H. Sanders, the first president of PRAL and a longtime leader in the public relations profession.

For more information, come by the Almagest Room, BH 344.

## BSU Lunch

All students are invited to lunch in the BSU building every Wednesday from noon to 12:50 p.m.

## Media Board

continued

student publications and provide a fair and equitable way of selecting the staffs for each, Landreaux said.

Various opponents of the media board are concerned that if a board is imposed, staff jobs would deteriorate into popularity contests and violations of the First Amendment guaranteeing freedom of the press would occur.

LSUS Chancellor E. Grady Bogue, in an interview last week, said that the student publication's editorial and advertising policies needs to be made public. In addition, the role of the publications and how the leadership is arrived at should be understood, he said.

It should be noted that the Reveille filed suit in federal court last fall to prevent what the staff saw as violations of its First Amendment rights. The LSU administration subsequently withdrew its demands to set Reveille advertising policy.

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# editorials

## La. economics threatened by drinking age

States throughout the nation are beginning to change the legal drinking age from the current 18-year-old to a minimum of 21, an action based upon the supposedly high number of teenage drunk drivers.

In Louisiana, several representatives are supporting a bill which, if passed, will raise the Louisiana minimum drinking age to 21, a move considered by some to be effective and by others to be unconstitutional.

Supporters of the bill have overlooked one interesting aspect of the number of teenage drunk drivers. A recent study financed by the La. Beer Association found that of the 151,621 total traffic accidents in 1983, only 1,790, or 1.2 percent, involved a driver between the ages of 18 and 21 who had been drinking.

The number of accidents is actually a much lower percentage than claimed by the bill's supporters. Intoxicated teenage drivers are supposedly one of the major causes of traffic accidents, supporters say. But is 1.2 percent actually enough of a contribution to justify withholding alcohol from everyone 18 to 21 years of age?

How can a majority be held responsible for the actions of so few. A ban on alcohol sales to those under 21 would be as fair as banning sales to those over 60. The real age group to blame is the one between the ages of 21 and 25 who are the biggest DWI offenders, Ed Sherman, a computer programmer, for the Louisiana safety commission, said.

The most unconstitutional aspect of the bill, however, is that the government is once again reverting to giving its citizens some legal rights at the age of 18 and at the same time denying other rights. The legal rights of 18-year-olds entitle them to be drafted into military service to fight for their country, to serve the same prison sentence as adults and to be executed as murderers. And of course, they have the right to vote. On the other hand, 18-year-olds will not have the right to walk into a bar and order a beer; instead they may walk into McDonald's and order a Coca-Cola. Is this a fair trade?

Furthermore, if the drinking age is raised, the effects will be devastating to the Louisiana economy. Louisiana stands to lose nearly \$15 million or about 5 percent of local and state taxes used for federal highway funds during the first proposed year of changing the drinking age and nearly \$31 million during the second year, not to mention the loss of as many as 8,600 jobs in areas where unemployment already is high.

Would a blow this staggering to the economy be worth it? Or should more effective ways of using the money brought forth by liquor sales be used to enforce DWI laws? After all, sooner or later those 18, 19 and 20-year-old drunken drivers are going to become older and be the same intoxicated 21-to 25-year-old drivers.

## Commercial activity to end tranquility, peace at park



by WELLBORN JACK 3  
Opinion Writer

On Jan. 22 the Shreveport City Council voted 4-to-3 in favor of a proposal spelling death to peace and tranquility for LSUS's neighbor — C. Bickham Dickson Park.

The Council's majority — Councilmen Huckaby, Bush, Shyne and Ferdinand — opted to give Ski Rixen International Corp. the green light to build a 300-by-1,200-foot cable water-skiing ride at one end of the park's natural 200-acre oxbow lake.

The framers of this decision had the right idea, but the wrong location.

C. Bickham Dickson Park

defines tranquility and peace. You can hang these assets on the endangered species list with the construction of an "active" recreation program when the inherent design of the park echoes "passive" recreation.

One first notices the quiet atmosphere indigenous to C. Bickham Dickson when descending the steep hill into the entrance of the park's threshold.

This short, 10-foot vertical descent seems to hypnotize the park visitor into believing he is visiting another world. A world of serenity, found in no other city park, within the bustling life of a city on the grow.

C. Bickham Dickson Park supports numerous opportunities for family-oriented activities — activities that could be threatened with the planned construction of a carnival ride.

What is to stop other businesses from building their water-sport ventures on the banks of C. Bickham Dickson Park's natural 200-acre oxbow lake?

On its face, the Council's vote stands as a hallmark of Shreveport's growing progressiveness. A cable water-skiing ride will enable those without the financial resources or friends with boats to discover the joys of water skiing.

But the Council should have looked elsewhere in applying this progressive stance. Cross Lake, where water skiing already exists, is the logical choice.

One other feature of the Council's action that disturbs me is how this proposal was ushered through the council so quickly. It seems the council was encouraged to make a decision via Shreveport Parks and Recreation's hue-and-cry.

SPAR was of the position if a decision wasn't made then, it would be too late to complete construction on the project for a debut this summer.

Ask your Councilman to help keep the "natural" in our oxbow lake and C. Bickham Dickson Park.



by DENNIS JENKINS  
News Editor

The United States and the Soviet Union have set March 12 as the day negotiations on nuclear and space weapons will resume in Geneva, Switzerland. As a second-term president, Ronald Reagan has an opportunity to succeed in a way no other president in recent years has been able to.

The Soviets are facing a man who is dealing from a position of power that has not been seen since John F. Kennedy slept in the White House. Reagan was re-elected by such a wide margin that the word "mandate" lost its meaning, and was seldom used.

American patriotism is running at a fever pitch, followed closely by the good will generated

## Reagan, Chernenko square off at Geneva

by an economy that is gaining strength every month. And although Reagan is criticized for his lack of knowledge in the foreign policy arena, his successful use of military force in Grenada is a testament to the American public's willingness to support him in that arena.

So put yourself in the Soviets place. Soviet influence is waning all around the world. Third world nations are turning more frequently to the U.S. for economic and military aid. The crack in NATO over Cruise and Pershing missiles in Europe never developed. Publicity for Afghanistan and Vietnam has never been favorable.

Worst of all, U.S. and Chinese relations are getting better all the time. What's a good Russian to do with all of that to overcome?

Go to the arms talks, hope the Americans make a mistake and

then walk out, leaving the capitalist pigs to explain why they cannot reach an agreement to their countrymen. After all, we don't have to explain anything to anyone.

Ordinarily, that strategy might work. But Reagan cannot run for a third term. He is not under the same pressure he was a year ago to win some sort of agreement with the Soviets. His administration is in place, his policies are set, and he is no longer the new kid on the arms negotiation block.

"We intend to stay there at the table with the hope that this time we can arrive at an actual reduction of weapons," Reagan said. With the power and influence he now has, he can stay at the table until the Soviets decide to quit playing their games and begin serious talks on reducing weapons in the twentieth century.



# letters

## Normalizing homosexuality shocks reader

Dear Sirs:

I picked up a copy of the *Almagest* today and I was shocked to read your article about homosexuality. The shock came not from the topic, but from the "normalizing" of homosexuality and the narrow approach and acceptance portrayed in the article. To an outsider it would seem that Louisiana is the home of "fire and brimstone" Baptists, who are ready to condemn anyone who does not conform to their mold of humanity. This just is not true. I am a Baptist and I consider myself modern and open minded.

To begin with I would like to make it clear that Baptists do not

have a monopoly on the truth. I feel that the homosexual has chosen his way of life and I have no right to tell him how he should live. I do not agree nor condone this type of lifestyle, yet I cannot honestly say that I know what a gay person goes through, I can only speculate and try to offer sincere advice.

In science we find that there are certain laws that govern the universe. We are bound to these laws, whether we like it or not. Take the law of gravity for example. Many times I have wished that I could jump 10 feet high, but as long as I am here on earth, the law of gravity holds true, and I cannot. Just as God put scientific

laws in effect, he has also put human laws into effect. He did this not in order to provoke us, but so that we might be able to live life to its fullest. After all, who should know more about the creature, the creation or the creator?

I, as a Christian, do not condemn this man for his actions. How can I, when I have chosen to follow the one who said, "Let him who is without sin cast the first stone." After all, the obvious reason for the 'wrongness' of homosexuality is not religious at all, but biological. The law of reproduction for humanity is such that male and female relationships produce offspring, while relations between the same

sex do not. I do not know why this is true, (although I am glad that it is), but I do know that it cannot be changed.

Another law to look at would be the law of commitment. It is a fact that a person who is committed to a job, will produce far greater results than a person who just does not care. The same is true for the husband who is committed to his wife, he will not divorce her unless he has lost his commitment. The truth is that homosexuality does not produce this type of commitment, but instead searches for an occasion for lust.

At the risk of sounding theoretical I come to my final point, which is this: homosexuality

is wrong because it is a sin. Why is it a sin? It is a sin because homosexuality as well as lust, murder, pride, rebellion, and any of a number of other thoughts and actions violate the rules our creator has laid out for us. Why did he lay out these rules? Simply because he knows better than anyone else what we need, because he created us.

In closing, let us remember that, the Apostle John wrote that we should love our neighbor as ourselves, and he did not put any conditions on this love. Anyone condemning another person is in danger of condemning themselves.

Sincerely,

Michael T. McDaniel

Although it is not standard *Almagest* policy to print anonymous letters, the editorial board has agreed that the sensitivity of our cover story on homosexuality merits the printing of those letters we received under pseudonyms.

## Homosexual feels remorse over 'misinformation'

### Gays stereotyped?

Dear *Almagest*,

Once again you have managed to cause a turmoil with your cover story for the Jan. 25 issue. As a member of this "underground society" at LSUS, I cannot express my anger at your ignorance and prejudice concerning alternate lifestyles. Most insulting, however, was Mr. Kimmerly's artwork because it is not at all an accurate picture of gay people in general. I have been "out of the proverbial closet" for over a year and have gone to gay bars all over this state. I have seen only a very small percentage of gays who do conform to this biased, stereotypical caricature of style, attitude, and dress. You would be surprised at the number of people in this lifestyle who are very normal-looking if not better-dressed than many "straight people."

In your description of Monty's, you seem to imply that gay people can only function in such an outlet as a gay bar, or that we are restricted to meeting our "own kind" there alone. I am certain that you would be amazed at the accuracy of our abilities to detect tendencies in people of our sexual orientation in every place of everyday life — including day-to-day routine at LSUS. There are many gays who never go out to places like Monty's but still

manage to get acquainted with people like themselves.

We are not some flickering match flame of existence about to be extinguished by the sneeze of a "straight society." On the contrary, our population is growing exponentially because some parts of society, unlike the *Almagest*, are finally letting go of the ridiculous, archaic stigmas which were placed on homosexual life long ago. Closet homosexuals are not concealing their true feelings and identity and refuse to be further inhibited by a backwards, narrow-minded society. Finally gays are emerging into public view and taking their rightful place as productive members of society. The only difference between us and the rest of society is our sexual preference.

In closing I would like to suggest that you should be more careful and thorough with your research on such a delicate matter as this. I can assure you that I am not the only person offended in this instance. As paradoxical as it may sound to you, thank God I am gay.

Respectfully yours,

Elena

An anonymous gay student  
And member of the LSUS  
Lavender League

Dear Editor:

Although your January 25th front page layout and accompanying article were obviously intended to shock your readers, I find that my only reaction was one of deep remorse. You see, I too am a student at LSUS who is also a homosexual. Unfortunately, your eagerness to sensationalize a controversial topic has caused you to print a story with blatant misinformation because a reporter, anxious to get a "by-line," wrote on the basis of hearsay gleaned from a 21-year-old who admits to having been a deflated homosexual since his high school days and has met other homosexuals at a bar. Now I ask you, would a story about a 21-year-old coed who met her current live-in-boyfriend at a "swimming-singles" bar have received such treatment?

Most of us who are homosexual (a term which means a person who is sexually attracted to a member of the same sex) are people just like anyone else. We are not all hairdressers, ballet dancers, artists, or female truck drivers. Neither are all of the members of these professions homosexuals! I have never worn a dress; I do not enjoy going to bars; and I would certainly never have sex with someone I did not know and love (male or female). I am a career-oriented professional who is taking post-graduate work to gain additional

knowledge. I am not a drag queen, a child molester, or a person who forces other men to commit "unnatural acts" with me.

If your reporter had done any research at all, he would have found that national statistics indicate that only 10 percent of the American population (male and female) is homosexual. Thus Jeff's estimate that 20 percent of the LSUS student body is gay seems very much out of line. I also find Jeff's remarks about homosexuality and the Bible very interesting. Obviously, neither he nor your reporter is familiar with *Christianity, Social Tolerance, and Homosexuality* by John Boswell (Univ. of Chicago Press) or *Parents of the Homosexual* by Switzer and Switzer (Westminster Press). They probably didn't realize that at least three protestant churches in Shreveport have had or are now conducting studies on homosexuality and the Bible just in the past month. I'm sure that they also failed to recognize that there are organizations dealing with homosexuality in the Mormon, United Methodist, American Baptist, Mennonite, Catholic, Evangelical, Quaker, Christian Science, Episcopal, Lutheran, Presbyterian, and Unitarian Churches. In fact, they might be surprised to know that there are even some churches who have congregations which are predominantly homosexual in

make-up.

There is too much information available in libraries and bookstores to tolerate such poorly-researched and sensationally-written articles which perpetuate the stereotypical myth of homosexuality. Yes, we attend LSUS, but we make up 10 percent of the total population so we are everywhere. To say that a person's personality is a clue to his sexual orientation is absurd. If that were true, then all heterosexuals would be expected to have similar personalities. They don't, and we don't either. There are probably homosexual men and women in every department on this campus who, like me, want to contribute to society, not flaunt our sexual preferences and the intimate details of our bedroom behavior. Why, then, do you feel the need to tamper with our lives? Who gave you permission to misrepresent us? Why not interview a "confessed" heterosexual who practices S&M and present that as a norm, too? It is no wonder that more homosexuals have not "come out of the closet."

A good newspaper presents facts, and facts are the product of research. I hope that you will remember this when preparing future articles on any subject.

Sincerely,

John Doe



# Greek system speaks out

by TAMMY WEAVER  
Copy Editor

Exchanges, toga parties and brother and sisterhood are all associated with what is known as the Greek system. Many people think of those involved with the system as snobs, and there are those who think the system is too expensive and overrated.

Here at LSUS there are four fraternity chapters and three sororities. For those who are not familiar with these chapters, but would like to know more about them this is a profile-hopefully to help find a fraternity or sorority right for those interested.

Delta Delta Delta, a sorority with 30 members, stresses the importance of education, according to Lori Banks president. She said Tri Delta wants school to come first.

This chapter looks for active people and leaders. Yet, Banks says they have quiet and shy members also.

Tri Delta's service projects include cancer research and small children.

Phi Mu, with 34 members, is the newest, but largest sorority on campus, Terri Mathews, Phi director said.

Mathews said all of the girls are individuals who maintain high grade point averages and good reputations.

Like the other sororities Phi Mu does not have a sorority house, but they have been putting money into the project and hope to have one eventually, Mathews said.

This chapter's service projects are visiting nursing and children's homes.

Zeta Tau Alpha, with 16 members, selects its members by mutual attraction. "If we like the girl and the girl likes us." That's what we look for, Beth Holiman said.

Holiman says Zeta offers opportunity for everyone. "The people in our chapter are dedicated

and enthusiastic."

Zeta Tau Alpha's service projects are the Jerry Lewis Telethon and the Panhellenic food drive.

Delta Sigma Phi, the smallest fraternity on campus with seven members will celebrate its ninth anniversary Jan. 31. It is the oldest chapter on campus.

Bill Olson, president of Delta Sigma Phi, said the fraternity looks for members who are career oriented and take school serious.

As far as the characteristics of its members are concerned, Olson said they are a blend. "We do not try to mold members, we let the members mold the chapter."

This chapter's goals are to increase membership, become more visible to the public and to be the first fraternity to have a house on campus.

The March of Dimes is Delta Sigma Phi's service project.

Kappa Alpha, otherwise known as KA, derives its heritage from the Southern gentleman, Billy Hunt, recording secretary, said.

Hunt also said the fraternity is not a prejudice one and has chapters in many other states besides the south.

At present KA has 25 members. KA looks for members with leadership ability. "We look at

the individual," Hunt said.

This chapter's service project is Muscular Dystrophy.

Phi Delta, with 25 members, looks for well rounded individuals. "The strong point is that we are all different," Brent Gray, secretary said.

For pledges to go active they must complete a service project, Gray said. Phi Delta's service projects are "adopt a park" and educational programs with children.

"The house brings us together," Gray said pointing out that Phi Delta is the only chapter on campus to have a fraternity house. He feels it is important to have the house because LSUS is a commuter campus.

It is important to go to several rush parties before deciding what fraternity or sorority to join, Gray said. "One is going to fit you."

Kappa Sigma, the fraternity famous for its fall toga party looks for members who are "hell raising drunks," Grey Young, secretary, said.

This chapter stresses scholarship and community service. Young said Kappa Sigma has one of the best scholarship programs in the country.

Kappa Sigma wants members to join and form lasting friendships, Young said.



Carol Carter

## Carter wins big

Saturday night was Carol Carter's night to shine.

The 19-year-old Miss Carter left little for the other contestants in the Miss LSUS pageant to claim. She made a clean sweep of the evening gown, talent and swimsuit competitions.

A blond-haired sophomore, Carter is now eligible to participate in the Miss Louisiana pageant to be held in Monroe next June.

Carter won the talent competition with her rendition of "Gone."

In last year's pageant she won the evening gown and swimsuit competitions and was named first runner-up to Rhonda Copple.

First runner-up this year was Robin Hinds, and Lori Friedel won second runner-up honors. Celia Mills was named Miss Congeniality.

## Local sculptors display art in mall

by DONNA WHITTON  
Reporter

Those curious concrete figures which mysteriously appeared in the campus mall at the end of last semester are actually sculptures made by the basic sculpture class of the fall semester.

"The whole idea was to create visual interest among the students," Don Alexander, instructor of the basic sculpture class said.

The idea has worked. According to Alexander, a couple of the sculptures have been broken by students who picked them up out of curiosity thinking that they were solid concrete. "But that's what we wanted," Alexander said in reference to student interest.

The sculptures are hollow and made of lathe wire and wood covered with concrete.

They were made by the class following a series of studies of space and form. "The design was to divide space so that it was visually interesting, and it was not to exceed 45 inches in any direction," Alexander said.

Class members contributing to the project were: Joanna Amundson, Elizabeth Anderson, Catherine Atwood, Debra Colm, Joyce Hawkins, Richard Kightlinger, Pearl Serbanic, Linda Sue Smith, Donna Spielberg and Karen Wainwright.

The current set of sculptures should be removed soon, but a new set will be displayed next fall.

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## Langman sponsoring African trip

by TERRESA SMITH  
Reporter

Professor Vaughan Langman is a new addition to the LSUS Biology department. Not only has he brought his expertise as a physiologist to LSUS, but also a unique opportunity for students to participate in the conservation movement in East Africa. Langman has been involved in research in Africa for over 10 years, and has taken student volunteers for the last six.

The Rhino Research Project, as it is called, has as its primary goal the collection of data concerning the environmental physiology of large mammals in Kenya, specifically the black and white rhino and the giraffe. Also involved in the Rhino Research Project is the relocation and pro-

tection of the black rhino, which faces extinction.

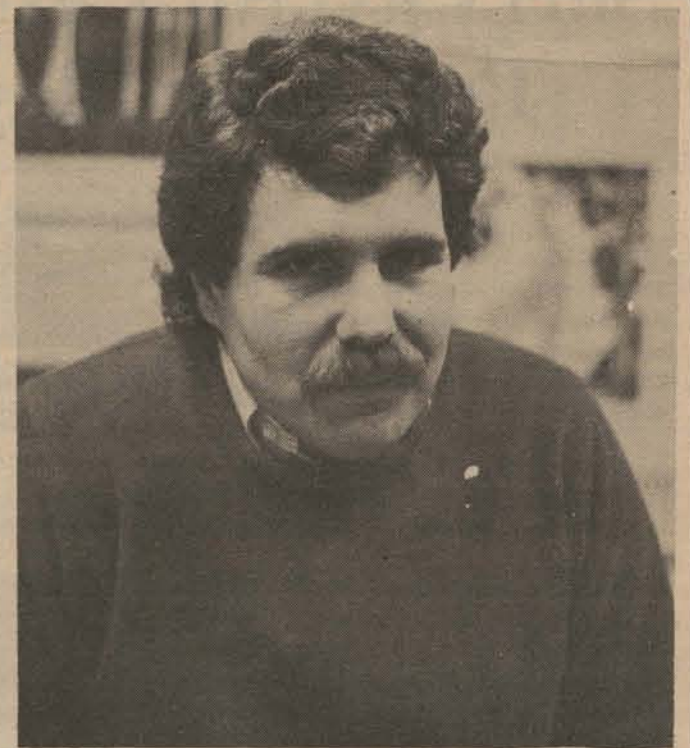
This is a project based on dedication and cooperation. Langman, the only physiologist to have studied live mammals in their natural habitat, maintains a year-round camp outside Nairobi, Kenya as a project base. The Kenyan government is broke. They own equipment that they can not afford to pay people to use. So Langman provides volunteers to operate the equipment and assist in relocating animals in the national parks.

You need not be a science major to participate. What is important, said Langman, is that you have a "spirit of adventure, a tolerance for less than luxurious living, and a willingness to experience Africa and Africans on

their own terms."

While there has never been a serious accident in the 10 years Langman has been making the trip, he is paying special attention to the physical fitness of his volunteers as a precaution. There are few prerequisites for the trip, but a physicians statement is one of them. The other is money. The project itself has been funded by a host of naturalist societies, but the student must pay his own expenses. There are several types of grants available to defray the cost.

You adventuresome types, seeking the spice of life, should trot right over to professor Langman's office on the second floor of the Science building for more information.



Biology professor Vaughan Langman

## Some forgotten at American Music Awards Monday night



by EDY EDDINS  
Features Editor

The American Music Awards were presented Monday night and some very deserving people carried home the prestigious awards. However, after observing the ceremonies, I feel that some very important awards were forgotten.

First, the award for the Worst Quote of the Evening goes to Lionel Richie who, by the way, also carried off six AMA awards. After his opening perfor-

mance, two ladies brought him a towel to wipe off with. Ritchie in turn said, "I have a feeling I'm going to be perspiring all night."

Worst Dressed Male and Female go to Stephen Bishop and Vanity. Bishop presented an award wearing a day-glow yellow, red and blue checked jacket that blinded 359 people in upper-state Nebraska. Vanity showed up wearing a sheer lace dress with only a few well-placed bits of sequins that restored their sight.

Biggest Goof Award goes to the stage technicians. In preparation for Julian Lennon's performance, the stagehands filled the auditorium with fog. It just so happens that they did not wait for the end of the presentation of the Favorite Black Female Vocalist award before doing so, making it near impossible to see.

In all seriousness, there are two awards or commendations

that should be made and were overlooked by the AMA.

First, the Most Moving Tribute award goes to Diana Ross and Stevie Wonder in their testimonial to singer/songwriter Marvin Gaye. Diana performed her single "Missing You," a tribute to the late Marvin Gaye,

and Stevie said a few heartfelt and sincere words in Gaye's memory. The single "Do They Know it's Christmas?" and donated all profits to the starving in Ethiopia.

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## Surf City: No 1 in Preseason Play

by BRENT A. GRAY  
Sports Editor

Surf City finished on top of the first annual pre-season basketball tournament held last week. The tournament was based on a single elimination schedule.

Play began with 16 teams on the roster. After the first round of play, Surf City, Phi Van Halen, the Hydronads, the Turds, the Stepchildren, Buckwheat's Revenge and the Baptist Student Union advanced to the semifinals.

In the first round of semifinal play Surf City defeated Phi Van Halen 41-34. The Hydronads were over the Turds 45-35 and Buckwheat's Revenge easily put away the Stepchildren 38-20. The BSU advanced on a forfeit.

Round two matched Surf City against the Hydronads. City controlled the court, and defeated their opponent 52-28. The Baptist's advanced to the finals with a breathtaking win over Buckwheat's Revenge 36-35.

The final game of the day put BSU and Surf City face-to-face. City finished the game ahead of BSU 54-49. Doug Million and Jimbo Carinio each scored 10 points for City with teammate Jeff Roberts close behind with nine.

Some unique basketball events were scheduled in conjunction

with last week's pre-season tournament. The events were played following the games and had no bearing on the outcome of the tournament.

Twenty-two men competed in one-on-one competition held on Tuesday night. ROTC's Ted Ashby took the title in the 5'10" and up category with teammate Mike Slagle a close second. In the below 5'10" division it was Jeffery Garner on top and Kevin Jones in the number two slot.

In Wednesday's free throw competition Mike Slagle captured first place for the second year in a row. Surf City's Gary Fontana was second and Tim Boston of Kappa Sigma third.

Women's free throw action saw ROTC's Kay Slagle duplicate her husband's efforts to finish first. Debbie Roeten was only a few shots shy of first and Zeta's Ginger Nuttall finished third.

Seven teams entered the co-recreational two-on-two competition that ended the tournament on Thursday. ROTC was ahead with Gary Hargis and Alicia Walker making an easy win. A combination Kappa Sig and ZTA team composed of Larry Janes and Deborah Smith was a distant third.

Regular season play got underway this week and will be reported in next week's paper.

## Racquetball

Action was long and hot in the one-day intramural racquetball tournament held on Saturday.

Eight women competed in the tournament and it was Rhonda Waites on top after the dust cleared. Waites, representing The Physical Recs, defeated TriDelt Toni Reeder in the division finals 15-5, 15-1.

There were three men's divisions set up based on the ability of the player. Staff member John Powell finished first in the novice division defeating Scott Bergstedt of Devistation Inc., 15-6, 15-3.

In men's intermediate play, Rocky Lagrone finished in front of 11 others to capture the first place position. He defeated Philip Cancellieri in the finals 15-9, 15-13.

Only six men felt their skill worthy of the advanced division. Ray Urban remains untouchable on the court for a second straight year. Urban easily defeated Dan Goehler in two games 15-7, 15-5.

## Canoe Race

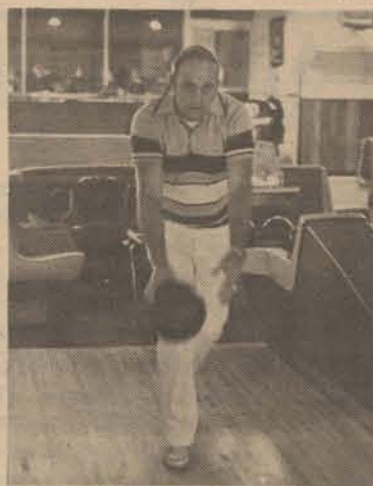
A statewide canoe race has been scheduled for the area on July 21.

The race is open to students on campus and will be held on Dorchest Bayou from Dixie Inn to Sibley, La. Students may enter the race as a team or as individuals and it is open to the experienced and the beginner. Canoes and kayacks will be used in the race.

For more information, contact Billy or Cathy at Red River Outfitters at 869-1111.

**797-5350**

Students now have access to the intramural calendar over the phone. The IM department has set up a hotline for students to use when the IM office is closed. The line will carry recorded announcements of upcoming events in an effort to improve student participation. The hotline number is 797-5350.



The IM bowling season is underway after the first week of play. Sixteen teams are in the league.

## IM Bowling Begins

The Good, the Loose, the Ugly, the Bad and the Sexy (G.L.U.B.S.) are in the lead in Co-recreational IM bowling after the first week of play. There are 16 teams in the league.

The G.L.U.B.S. — made up of Julie Escude, Bucky Buck, Audee Boyd, Eric Von Hoven and Georgia Speer — is the only team remaining undefeated after eight games Tuesday night. The team scored a total of 2,278 pins with Escude leading the team at 402 total points.

Wicked Desires, made up of

last semester's KA team, won six of their games and finished second in the league with 2,305 pins. Third place goes to the Sleepers also at six wins and two losses and a total of 2,244 pins.

Scott Zenter heads the men's individual series with 483. Richard Harrell is next with 477 pins and Richard Krumtum is third at 474.

Leading the women's individual series with 441 points is Sandi Jacobson, Sheila Bagley at 435 and, as usual, Sarah Laurenson is near the top with 425 pins bowled.

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